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SUBJECT: ENGULU VISITS

REFS: A) TOKYO 2380 B) KINSHASA 1752

1. ZAIRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER NGUZA WAS IN WASHINGTON DURING EARLY FEBRUARY. PURPOSE OF TRIP WAS (A) TO DELIVER LETTERS TO PRESIDENT FORD FROM MOBUTU AND SENGHOR ON MODERATE AFRICAN POSITION ON ANGOLA; (B) TO OUTLINE GOZ CONCERN ABOUT SOVIET/CUBAN THREAT AND TO PRESENT ZAIRIAN CASE FOR FURTHER ECONOMIC/MILITARY ASSISTANCE; AND (C) TO LOBBY IN CONGRESS IN AN ATTEMPT TO OFFSET NIGERIAN EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE MPLA.

2. NGUZA HAD MEETINGS WITH THE PRESIDENT, THE SECRETARY (TWICE) AND 17 KEY MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. NGUZA WAS TOLD
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THAT THE USG WAS LOOKING INTO WAYS IN WHICH HE COULD

INCREASE OUR ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR ZAIRE.
CONGRESSMEN HE SAW GAVE NGUZA THEIR SUPPORT FOR SUCH
INCREASES IN ASSISTANCE.

3. ACTION ADDRESSEES SHOULD ENCOURAGE HOST GOVERNMENTS TO
RECEIVE ENGULU. ENGULU WILL PROBABLY MAKE APPROACH
ALONG LINES DESCRIBED ABOVE. FOR TOKYO ONLY, HE MAY BRING

UP SUBJECT OF ZAIRIAN EXTERNAL DEBT RESCHEDULING OR
SMTF COPPER PROJECT. EMBASSIES SHOULD FEEL FREE TO
SHARE ABOVE INFORMATION WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS. INGERSOLL

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